(d) whether Government would give a firm date/schedule for completion of this railway line?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMED): (a) There is no plan for complete re- alignment of Udhampur-Qazigund section. However, on Katra-Qazigund section, due to adverse geological conditions in some stretches, studies for optimisation by local re-alignment is being carried out.

(b) Fresh survey has been ordered at identified locations and agencies are working on it.

(c) Udhampur-Qazigund rail line is a part of Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla new line project which is a National Project and sufficient funds are being allocated based on the progress of the work.

(d) Udhampur-Katra section (25 km) is targeted to be completed by December 2011. Katra-Qazigund section (148 km) is likely to be completed by 2017-18.

Railway projects in North-East region

270. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the implementation status and target set for various national projects in the NER indicating the progress made for completion of the gauge conversion of Rangia Murkongselek sections of NF Railway during current financial year stating total outlay, annual allocation and utilization made up to October, 2009 and provision made for subsequent years; and

(b) the status and target set for main bridge construction of the Bogibeel Bridge project over Brahmaputra indicating total outlay, annual allocation and utilization made up to October, 2009 and provision made for subsequent years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) and (b) Details of National Projects in North Eastern Region alongwith expenditure incurred upto March, 2009, outlay for 2009-10 and status are as under :-

(Rs in crore)

Sl.No.	Name of the Project	Anticipated cost as per budget 2009-10	Exp. upto March, 09	Outlay 2009-10 (through railway budgetary support)	Present status
1	2	3	4	5	6
New LIne					
1.	Jiribam-	2492.53	73.63	50.00	Final Location Survey in 84 km completed. Earthwork and bridges taken up where land has been acquired. Jiribam-Tupul targeted for March, 2014 and Tupul-Imphal for March, 2016.

1	2	3	4	5	6
2.	Kumarghat -Agartala	950.00	910.00	10.00	Completed and commissioned.
3.	Azra-Byraihat	546.47	0.34	5.00	Survey work suspended in Assam portion due to obstruction by local people.' State Government has desired for change of alignment. Target -March, 2014.
4.	Dimapur-Zubza (Kohima)	850.00	0.83	5.00	Final Location Survey from Km.0.00 to Km.42 taken up. Final Location Survey was stopped between Km, 5.00 to Km. 8.00 due to objection by villagers. Target is March, 2015.
5.	Bogibeel Bridge	3087.44	1391.71	110.41	South Bank line from Moranhat to Chalkhowa (44km) has been completed. Main bridge substructure and guide bunds have been taken up. The main bridge superstructure tender has been opened. The project is targeted for completion by March, 2014.
6.	Agartala-Sabroom	813.34	1.14	30.00	Final Location Survey from Agartala to Sabroom completed and land acquisition taken up. Project completion target March, 2014.
7.	Bhairabhi - Sairang	619.34	0.58	5.00	Final Location Survey taken up between Km.0.00 to Km 9.0. Project completion target - March, 2014.

1	2	3	4	5	6
8.	Sivok-Rangpo	1339.48	0.00	10.00	Final Location Survey taken up. The work has been entrusted to IRCON for execution. Target is December, 2015.
Gauge Conversion					
1.	Lumding-Silchar-Jiribam & Badarpur to Kumargah at	2500.00	1657.35	120.00	Construction works for earthwork, major and minor bridges and ballasting etc. is in progress. Overall physical progress is about 45%. Progress is adversely affected due to militancy and law & order problems in the region. The project is targeted for completion by March, 2012.
2.	Rangia-Murkongselek with linked fingers	1556.23	71.64	54.28	On Rangia - Rangpara North Section, works of formation, bridges etc. taken up. On Rangapara North-Murkongselek section, tenders for bridges processed. The project is targeted for completion by March, 2013.

The outlays indicated above are through Railway Gross Budgetary Support (GBS). Additional funds would be available as an additionality. The National Project in NE Region are to be funded to the extent of 25% through Railway GBS and balance 75% as an additionality.

The expenditure during the year gets firmed up after finalization of accounts at the end of the year. The provisions for the subsequent years would be made as per the Budget allocations keeping in view the progress of the projects.

Anti-social elements on railway platforms in Orissa

271. SHRI RAMA CHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the platform area of all railway station in Orissa are very dirty and have become a centre of all anti-social elements, pick pocketers, eve teasers and local mafias are using station platform as their own area and Railway Police and RPF are only silent spectators; and